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In re Application of : Group Art Unit: 2621  
Yerazunis et al. :  
Serial No.: 09/923,107 : Examiner: S. Patel  
Filed: August 6, 2001 :



For: Privacy-Enhanced Display Device

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RENEWED PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)

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Dear Sir:

This Renewed Petition is in response to a Decision on Petition mailed on July 3, 2006.

**REMARKS**

This Renewed Petition is to request reconsideration of the Office's decision dismissing Applicant's Petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) originally filed on June 23, 2006.

A Final Office Action was mailed by the Office on September 30, 2005. The Application became abandoned on December 31, 2005. The Office mailed a Notice of Abandonment on April 21, 2006. Applicants filed a Petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) that included the outstanding reply to the Final Office Action on June 23, 2006. The Applicant's Petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was dismissed because the petition was not signed by the Applicant. Included with this renewed petition is a properly executed Petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b). The petition fee was charged to Deposit Account 50-0749 on June 26, 2006.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully requested that (i) the Renewed Petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) be granted, and (ii) the active status of the above-referenced application be acknowledged. To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including petition and extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 50-0749 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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**PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT  
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CR-1317

First named inventor: William S. Yerazunis

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Art Unit: 2621

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Title: PRIVACY-ENHANCED DISPLAY DEVICE

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**APPLICANT HEREBY PETITIONS FOR REVIVAL OF THIS APPLICATION**

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- (1) Petition fee;
- (2) Reply and/or issue fee;
- (3) Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee - required for all utility and plant applications filed before June 8, 1995; and for all design applications; and
- (4) Statement that the entire delay was unintentional.

**1. Petition fee**☐ Small entity-fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (37 CFR 1.17(m)). Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.☐ Other than small entity - fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (37 CFR 1.17(m))

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**2. Reply and/or fee**

A. The reply and/or fee to the above-noted Office action in  
the form of an amendment (identify type of reply):

- ☒ has been filed previously on June 23, 2006.  
☐ is enclosed herewith.

B. The issue fee and publication fee (if applicable) of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

- ☐ has been paid previously on \_\_\_\_\_.  
☐ is enclosed herewith.

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- ☐ A terminal disclaimer (and disclaimer fee (37 CFR 1.20(d)) of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for a small entity or \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for other than a small entity) disclaiming the required period of time is enclosed herewith (see PTO/SB/63).

4. STATEMENT: The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the required reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional. [NOTE: The United States Patent and Trademark Office may require additional information if there is a question as to whether either the abandonment or the delay in filing a petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional (MPEP 711.03(c), subsections (III)(C) and (D)).]

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